

Arts in the Parks

O'Bannon Woods State Park & Wyandotte Caves SRA Property Profile

Website: <http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2976.htm>

Key Messages/Stories:

- O'Bannon Woods State Park, formally Wyandotte Woods, was established in 2005 and includes 3,000 acres for forest land bounded by the Ohio River, Blue River and Potato Run dry creek bed. The State Park is further surrounded by 27,000 acres of Harrison Crawford State Forest.
- Cultural History of the Area – Corydon Indiana as the First State Capital, Early pioneer and settler history
- Natural beauty – 30,000 acres of forest lands bounded by three rivers. Numerous dedicated Nature Preserves.

Top Five Things to Do:

- Highlights of places to see and things to do: Camping, day- hiking, backpacking, horse trail riding, off road biking, canoeing, and aquatic center.
- Day hikes: Ohio River Bluff & Nature Center Interpretative Trail. Backpacking: Adventure Hiking Trail
- Visitor or nature center: Hickory Hollow Nature Center, Pioneer Homestead and 1840's Hay Press
- Places to explore: Corydon Indiana – States First Capital, local private commercial caves; Marengo Cave, Squire Boone Cave and Indian Caverns

Lodging: What is available: Class A Camping and primitive B camping for RV, tent and horse campers

General visitor profile: Campers (weekends or weeklong); day-users for picnics and hiking; visiting the nature center; school groups in spring/summer; scout and other groups for volunteer service; groups in the group camp; families in the family campgrounds; people swimming in the aquatic center.

Potential arts venues:

- Amphitheater at Hickory Hollow Nature Center. 100 capacity, plus room for lawn chairs. Has electric and stage area.
- Shelter houses: Pine Pond Shelter. Room for lawn chairs. Has available electric and large parking lot. Comfort Station within 1000 feet.
- Nature Center:
 - Program room amenities. Hay Press Barn – upper stage area with interior seating area. Also suitable for interior lawn chair seating.
 - Outdoor amphitheater: has bench seating for 80. Plenty of room for additional lawn chairs, ADA accessible.

Visitation in FY2014: 30,000



Nearby Communities: Corydon, Jasper, Evansville, Louisville Metro Area

Please email questions to Artsintheparks@dnr.IN.gov.

